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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Sjöholm et al.

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For: Use of Acid Stable Protease in Animal Feed

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please substitute the following amended claims for the pending claims having the same claim numbers:

14. An animal feed additive comprising

(a) at least one acid-stable protease that has an amino acid sequence that has an identity of at least 70% to SEQ ID NO: 1; and

(b) one or more of fat-soluble vitamins, water-soluble vitamins, trace minerals, and/or macro minerals.

15. The animal feed additive of claim 14, wherein the protease has an amino acid sequence that has an identity of at least 80% to SEQ ID NO: 1.

that has an identity of at least 85% to SEQ ID NO: 1.